



Glorification

Made *Like God* | Dwell *With God* | Reign *Before God*

THE MAP TO GLORY

- “Golden Chain” → Golden **Crown**
- *Christ Jesus “bringing many sons to glory” (Hebrews 2:10)*
- Where you are & where you are going



ROMANS 8:29–30

[29] For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.

[30] And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

WHAT IS GLORIFICATION?

3 Breathtaking Certainties



(1) YOU ARE *MADE LIKE* GOD.

- Complete transformation
- Certain perfection
- “Firstborn among many brothers”—a salvation secured by Christ, and given by Christ...

JOHN CALVIN: “CHRIST, THE END OF THE LAW”

“And even any good that could be thought or desired is found in this Jesus Christ alone. For he humbled Himself to exalt us; He made Himself a slave to set us free; He became poor to enrich us; He was sold to redeem us, captive to deliver us, condemned to absolve us; He was made malediction for our benediction, oblation of sins for our justice; He was disfigured to re-figure us; He died for our life, in such a manner that by Him harshness is softened, wrath appeased, darkness enlightened, iniquity justified, weakness is made strength, affliction is consoled,...

JOHN CALVIN: “CHRIST, THE END OF THE LAW”

“... sin is impeached, despite is despised, dread is emboldened, debt is acquitted, labor is lightened, sorrow turned into joy, misfortune into fortune, difficulty is made easy, disorder made ordered, division united, ignominy is ennobled, rebellion subjected, threat is threatened, ambushes are driven out, assaults assailed, striving is overpowered, combat is combated, war is warred, vengeance is avenged, torment tormented, damnation damned, abyss is thrown into the abyss, hell is helled, death is dead, mortality, immortality. In short, mercy has swallowed up all misery, and goodness all wretchedness.”

(2) YOU DWELL WITH GOD.

- **Immanuel:** Promise, Person, and Presence
- **Romans 8:17:** “and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may be glorified with him.”
- **Samuel Rutherford:** “O my Lord Jesus Christ, if I could be in heaven without thee, it would be hell; and if I could be in hell, and have thee still, it would be a heaven to me, for thou art all the heaven I want.”

(3) YOU REIGN BEFORE GOD.

- *In Christ*, the astounding blessing of justification, yes. But...
- *In Christ*, we are the Royal Family
- *In Christ*, we are enthroned and reigning heirs
- *In Christ*, we rule a groan-free universe: “that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God” (Romans 8:21)

THE MAP TO GLORY

- ***You*** at the center
- ***Your*** certain destiny
- ***Your*** *inexpressible* privileges



REVELATION 21:3–5

[3] And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God.

[4] He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”

[5] And he who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.”



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